ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Provided is an IC card (10) having an EEPROM
(104) for storing secret keys for a plurality of
5   digital signatures, and a coprocessor (106) for
generating a digital signature using any one of the
plurality of secret keys. If a key change command has
been received, the secret key used by the IC card (10)
is changed to a secret key specified by the key change
10   command. As a result, a secret key for a digital
signature that is different from that of a general
user can be provided to a special user without raising
the cost of manufacturing the IC card.